

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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Sub A3 } Disclosed is a remotely controllable apparatus and
a remote control method in which there is little
5 disparity between a case where the apparatus is
controlled using a control panel possessed by the
apparatus itself and a case where the apparatus is
controlled remotely from a personal computer or the
like, thereby facilitating control of the apparatus. A
10 remotely controllable apparatus which has a control
panel for specifying a processing operation and which is
operated in accordance with an indication from the
control panel and/or an externally supplied command, or
an information processing apparatus that is capable of
15 remotely controlling this apparatus, is provided with
storage device for storing control-panel data that
represents the appearance of at least principal
components of the control panel. Remote control is
performed using a virtual control panel, the appearance
20 of which resembles that of the actual control panel,
created by utilizing the control-panel data.